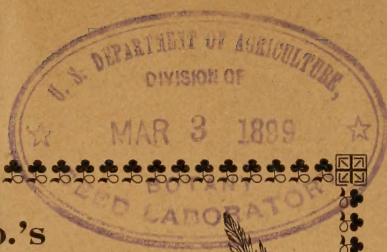


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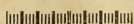
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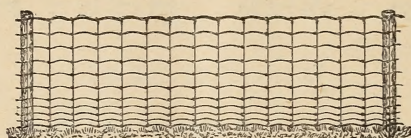
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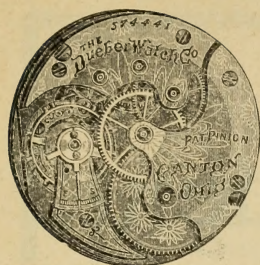
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Free.—With every \$1 worth of seeds in packets ordered you may select 25c worth of packets free. One or more extra packets will also be put in all orders sent out by us.

Warranted are all seeds we sell; 1st, to reach customers safely, 2d, to be true to name, 3rd, to germinate if directions are followed. We will replace any that are not as above.

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Artichoke

Sometimes used as food by man; highly recommended by some for hogs.

Jerusalem—lb. 30c; 3 lbs. 75c, postpaid; by freight, pk. 60c., bu. \$2.

Asparagus.

Sow seed in rich, moist soil in drills 1 ft. apart, and thin to 2 to 3 in. apart in the row. The second year set plants 4-10 in. deep, 12 in. apart in rows 2-5 ft. apart, having the soil deeply stirred and highly enriched. A year or two is saved by buying roots. Asparagus is of easy culture, lasts long when once started and the earliest green stuff in spring. It should be more generally planted. 50 plants suffice for an ordinary family.

1. **Palmetto.**—Earlier, larger, more productive and in every way better than the old Colossal. Quality, fine. Pkt. 5c, oz. 10c, ¼ lb. 20c, lb. 50c.

2. **Roots.**—Two year old Palmetto, 50 for \$1, postpaid: by freight, \$1 100, \$9 per 1000.

Beans.

Sow in moderately rich soil in April, 2-3 in. apart in rows 2-3 in. deep and 1½ ft. apart, or in hills. Sow every two

weeks for succession. Pole beans, especially the rich limas, being tenderer, need rich, warmer soil. Plant in hills about 4x4 ft. Bush limas sow nearer together than pole limas, about 1x1½ ft.

3. **Extra Early Round Podded Valentine**—Best and earliest of the green podded beans, very productive, pods good quality, tender. Pkt. 5c, pt. 20c, qt. 35c.



4. **Curries Rust Proof Golden Wax.**—At the head for earliness, abundant bearer, long season, quality not surpassed. Pkt. 10c, pt. 25c, qt. 45c.

5. **White Wax.**—Our grower says it gave him the greatest yield; fine quality. Pkt. 5c, pt. 20c, qt. 35c.

6. **Speckled Wax.**—Several experiment stations say it is the most productive variety; beans and pods speckled with red, medium early; very best for general



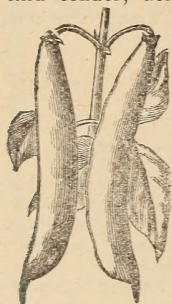
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Garden Hints.—Happy New Year! Prepare to keep accounts this year that you may know just what you are doing. Plan for the year what crop you will grow. Don't go out of potatoes because they were cheap last year—so was everything else. Study up beans—they will make you a good field crop. Whatever you have, please don't, don't leave out a good sized garden and fruit patch. Nothing is pleasanter than to have vegetables and fruits, fresh, crisp and delicious—all you can eat—right from your own garden. Nothing will pay better in saving grocery and doctor bills. Subscribe for several good farm, garden and fruit papers, and buy some good books to read these long evenings. Order seeds for spring planting. Sow pansy seeds for early flowering.

crop, for snap, green shelled or dry. Pkt. 10c, pt. 25c, qt. 45c.

7. **Yosemite Mammoth Wax.**—Large black bean, largest and longest pod and longest in season of them all, very solid and tender, delicious flavor. Pkt. 10c, pt. 25c, qt. 45c.



8. **White Marrowfat.**—Not specially good as a string bean but very popular shelled either green or dry.

9. **Large White Kidney.**—Largely used for shell, also good as a snap.

10. **Prolific Tree.**—Very productive, resembles the Navy, but cooks in less time.

11. **Burlingame Medium.**—Slightly larger than Navy, early, hardy and productive.

12. **Boston Small Pea.**—Pods grow usually in clusters of four, very early, hardy and very prolific.

13. **True Navy.**—The variety that is called for by the market for a dry shelled bean.

Price of the last six varieties, each, pkt. 5c, pt. 20c, qt. 35c.

14. **Early Golden Cluster Pole.**—Only a few days later than dwarf Golden Wax, bears until cut by frost beautiful yellow pods in clusters in the greatest profusion, quality delicious. A fine bean. The best pole wax. Pkt. 10c, pt. 25c, qt. 45c.

15. **Extra Early Jersey Lima.**—The limas have a rich flavor of their own, try this. Pkt. 10c, pt. 25c, qt. 45c.

16. **Henderson Bush Lima.**—The best of the bush limas for this state, two weeks earlier than the above, universally productive, needs no poles. Pkt. 10c, pt. 25c, qt. 45c.

Beets.

Sow early in spring 1-2 in. deep in drills 15 in. apart and thin for greens. Plant every two weeks for succession until July 1 when sow for winter. Sow mangels in rows 2 ft. apart so as to cultivate with horse hoe.



17. **Eclipse.**—A globular blood turnip beet, as early as the earliest, as good as the best.

18. **Edmund's Early Blood Turnip.**—A thorough-bred, extra quality, very popular.

19. **Improved Long Smooth Blood.**—Well-known.

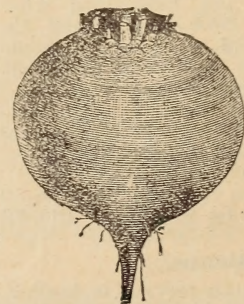
20. **Swiss Chard,** for greens, the mid-rib is used as asparagus, the rest as spinach.

All same price, pkt. 5c, oz. 10c, ¼ lb. 20c, lb. 60c.

Mangel Wurzel.

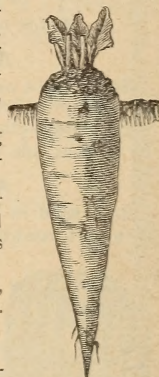
21. **Improved Mammoth Long Red.**—Very large growing, a heavy cropper, for deep soil.

22. **Prize Yellow Globe.**—For shallow soil, a fine one, large size, excellent quality.



23. **Golden Tankard.**—A half long variety, very productive, good form and flavor.

24. **Lane's Imperial Sugar.**—A great improvement on the common sugar beet; will not yield so heavily as the mangels, but is sweeter and richer.



Any of above four, pkt. 5c, oz. 10c, $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 15c, lb. 45c.

Brussel Sprouts.



Should be more generally grown. The small heads along the stalk are delicious and next to cauliflower in flavor. Treat same as late cabbages.

25. Improved Dwarf.—Pkt. 5c, oz. 20c.

Cabbage.

Sow early varieties in March or April and transplant to open ground about $1\frac{1}{2}$ x 2 ft. first of May. Sow late varieties in May and transplant by first of July 2 x 3 ft. They need rich, moist ground.

Price of any of the following except where otherwise noted, pkt. 5c, oz. 20c.

26. Extra Early Express.—Pointed heads, the earliest.

27. Select Early Jersey Wakefield.—Standard for early.

28. Charleston Large Wakefield.—

A few days later, but much larger than above. Pkt. 10c, oz. 25c.



29. All Head Early.

—The earliest flat-headed variety, very uniform, few outside leaves, so may be set close together; a fine cabbage. Pkt. 10c, oz. 25c.

30. All Seasons.—

An improved strain of Early Flat Dutch; good for second early or late.

31. Surehead.—Since its introduction has come to the front as an extra good main crop.

32. Premium Flat Dutch.—A select strain of this splendid variety.

33. Marblehead Mammoth Drumhead — The largest; one head frequently weighing 50-60 lbs.

34. Large Red Pickling, (improved),—one of the best red cabbages.

35. Drumhead Savoy.—The savoy cabbages are much tenderer, and of finer flavor than the ordinary kinds, crinkled leaves; this is one of the largest and best varieties. Try it.

Carrot.

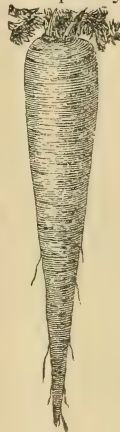
Culture as for beets. Thin to stand 3-4 inches apart.

Price of any variety, pkt., 5c, oz. 10c, $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 30c, lb. \$1.

36. Early Short Scarlet Horn.—The earliest.

37. Oxheart or Guerande.—Intermediate between the above and the following; a newer introduction; quality extra good, juicy, rich.

38. Danver's Half Long.—An all-purpose sort, greatest yielder with shortest root, best quality.



39. Improved Long Orange.—The standard long late carrot.

40. White Belgian.—The best and most productive variety for stock. Pkt. 5c, oz. 10c, $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 20c, lb. 60c.

41. Mixed Varieties.—All the above, large pkt. 10c.

Cauliflower.



This is the most delicious of the cabbage family. Requires same treatment as cabbage except that it needs more moisture. Tie tops of leaves together as soon as they begin to head to protect the head from the hot sun.

42. Early Snowball.—The best, heads very compact. Pkt. 25c, oz. \$3.

43. Extra Early Dwarf Erfurt.—Also a good variety. Pkt. 15c, oz. \$2.25.

44. Early Paris.—Good but not so solid heads as above two. Pkt. 10c, oz. 80c.

Celery.

For early, sow seed in house in March or April. Cut tops off 1 or 2 times to make stocky plants. Set out in June when 4 to 6 in. high in very rich, moist ground, in rows 3 ft. x 6 in. To blanch, earth up gradually when well grown, in July or August. For late fall and winter use sow in open ground in May and transplant the first



of August. Dig and store before heavy freezes.

45. **White Plume.**—A general favorite, the best for early, easily grown and blanched, good quality.

46. **Giant Pascal.**—The best late, blanches easily, good keeper, fine nutty flavor.

47. **Celeraic.**—The tuberos roots are used as a salad and to flavor soups. Treat as celery, except needs no earthing up. **Prague Giant** is one of the largest and best varieties.

Either of above, pkt.

5c, oz. 20c.

Corn—Sweet.

Plant when ground becomes warm; the early, intermediate and late varieties at one time, and the late varieties every two weeks for succession until July 1st.

54. **Sweet Cream.**—Our grower in the northern part of the state tells us, "It is the best and largest yielding, medium late, sweet corn I know, large size, very sweet, great for table, silo or to feed green, lots of leaves and short joints, grows 7 ft. high."

Pop Corn.

For the children and the grown folks too. The boys can make some pin money by raising this.

55. **Red Beauty**, a fine sort, very attractive, prolific. Pkt. 10c.

56. **Golden Tom Thumb.**—The smallest kind, popped kernels are exceedingly tender. Pkt. 10c.

Either of following pkt. 5c, pt. 20c, qt. 35c:

57. **White Rice.**—Best for market, grains pointed.

58. **Silver Lace.**—Beautiful white smooth kernels, prolific.

59. **Queen's Golden.**—Prolific, ears large, kernels golden yellow, smooth.

60. **Mixed.**—Several varieties; large pkt. 10c.

Egg Plant.

Sow in house in March and transplant into the garden in June 2x2 ft. in rich soil.

61. **Long Purple.**—The earliest. Pkt. 5c, oz. 40c.

Gourds.

Plant as pole beans.

62. **Nest Egg.**—Bears white, egg-shaped fruit which may be used as nest eggs. Pkt. 5c, oz. 25c.

63. **Dipper.**—The dried fruits are used as name indicates. Pkt. 5c, oz. 25c.

64. **Dish Cloth.**—The interior is sponge-like and makes fine dish cloths. Pkt. 5c, oz. 30c.

48. **Cory.**

—the best extra early, very prolific.

49. **Early Minnesota.**—A standard early.

50. **None Such.**—An intermediate variety, large ears, fine quality.

51. **Stowell's Evergreen.**—A well-known late variety.

Any of above, pkt. 5c., pt. 15c, qt. 30c.

Either of the following pkt. 10c., pt. 20c., qt. 40c.:

52. **New Early Champion.**—The earliest large sweet corn, only few days later than Cory, but large ears, sweet, tender, productive.

53. **Country Gentleman.**—An improved Shoe Peg, medium to late; kernels deep and irregularly set on cob, not in rows; wonderfully productive; sweetest and tenderest of all.



Cucumbers.

Plant last of May or first of June. 8-10 seeds in hills 4x4 ft., made very rich with well rotted manure. After danger of bugs is past thin to 4 plants in a hill. For pickling, plant in June.

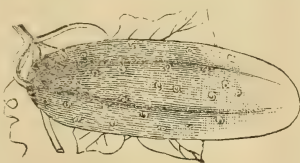
65. **Japanese Climbing**—May be trained to poles, fences or trellises, productive of very large fruits 10-12 in. long, good quality. Pkt. 10c, oz. 20c.



Any of following, pkt. 5c, oz. 10c, one-fourth lb. 20c, pound 70c.

66. **Early Russian**.—The earliest, fruit small but very prolific.

67. **Chicago Pickling**.—Almost exclusively used by Chicago pickle factories, medium size, prolific.



68. **Improved Long Green**, well known, productive.

69. **Improved White Spine**, one of the most popular varieties and justly so, good bearer and quality.

Kale.

Used for greens in early winter, etc.; culture, just as cabbages.

70. **Dwarf Green Curled**.—Pkt. 5c, oz. 10c.

Kohl-Rabi.

Another of the cabbage family. The fleshy bulb just above ground is eaten when 3-4 in. in diameter, much like turnip, but with more refined flavor. May be transplanted like cabbage or sown in drills 15 in. apart and thinned to 6-8 in. apart. Sow for succession from early spring to summer.

71. **Early White Vienna**.—Best sort for table, flesh white and tender. Pkt. 5c, oz. 20c.

Lettuce.

Sow as soon as you can get seed into the ground, in drills 15 in. apart and every two weeks for succession. Thin to 12 in. apart if you want nice large heads.



72. **Black Seeded Simpson**.—A fine old, very early sort.

73. **Early Prize Head**.—Leaves tinged with red. Splendid.

74. **Denver Market**.—A newer variety that ranks very high for early, fine flavor, crisp, tender, slow to run to seed. Pkt. 10c, oz. 15c, ¼ lb. 40c, lb. \$1.25.

75. **Improved Hanson**.—Forms a large head one of best to resist heat, fine quality. Prices as above.

76. **Salamander**.—Best variety to withstand summer heat, good quality.

Prices, unless otherwise stated, pkt. 5c, oz. 10c, ¼ lb. 30c, lb. \$1.

77. **Mixed Varieties**.—This will please you. Large pkt. 10c.

Melon—Musk.

Treat as cucumbers—which see.

78. **Emerald Gem**.—Of 11 varieties tried by us last summer, we liked this best. Extremely early. Vines and melons rather dwarf and inconspicuous so that melon thieves would be likely to pass it by. Very productive, flesh salmon, very thick, high flavored, the sweetest melon grown.

79. **Prolific Nutmeg**.—Green fleshed, splendid quality.

80. **Osage**.—Medium sized, very productive, flesh orange, thick and juicy, flavor delicious.

81. **Perfection**.—Large size, heavily netted, flesh very thick, salmon in color, fine.

82. **Large Yellow Cantaloupe**.—Early and prolific, flesh reddish orange, good flavor.

83. **Banana**.—Grows 1 to 2 ft. long, salmon-red flesh of good quality.

Prices of either variety, pkt. 5c, oz. 10c, ¼ lb. 25c, lb. 75c.

84. **Mixed**.—Several varieties, large pkt. 10c.

**Melon—Water.**

Plant about twice as far apart each way as musk melons. Otherwise give same treatment.

85. **Phinney's Early**.—Old standard, productive, good quality.

86. **Dixie**.—A newer very fine sort, large size, medium early, far surpasses in quality the old Kolk's Gem.

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Garden Hints.—Plan your work for next spring and summer so as to have all the garden spot occupied all the time by a good variety of crops. Look over your stock of seeds, test their vitality, and order what you will need. It will pay to throw away some that you have been saving for a number of years, and get others not all run out.



87. Coles Early.—Will ripen almost anywhere, good and sure cropper, gave us best of satisfaction last summer, very thin rind, flesh red, sweet and delicate flavor. Pkt. 10c, oz. 15c. ¼ lb. 40c, lb. \$1.

Any of the following, pkt. 5c, oz. 10c, ¼ lb. 20c, lb. 60c.

88. Dark Icing.—Few surpass it for quality and productiveness.

89. Kentucky Wonder.—One of best general purpose melons, medium season, red seeds, excellent quality.

90. Green and Gold.—Early, flesh golden orange, juicy and sweet.

91. Mixed.—All the above, large pkt. 10c.

Mustard.

92. White London.—The best variety, grown for greens. Pkt. 5c, oz. 10c, ¼ lb. 15c, lb. 45c.

Onion.

Sow as early in summer as possible in rich, sandy soil in rows 15 in. apart. Thin to 2-3 in. apart. Sow Prizetaker seed in house in February or March, transplant into open ground as early as possible, when about size of lead pencil, 2-3 in. apart in rows 12-15 in. apart. You thus save weeding when small, get an even stand, raise all large bulbs, secure earlier ripening and a greatly increased yield.

Read "New Onion Culture," price 50c, given for 25c with a pound of onion seed bought, or free with 5 pounds purchased.

93. Prizetaker.—"King of all the onions," the onion to raise as above, but may also be planted in ordinary way. Large size, good keeper, globe shaped, golden yellow color, flesh white, fine-grained, mild and sweet. Pkt. 5c, oz. 20c, ¼ lb. 60c, lb. \$2.

94. Yellow Globe Danvers.—Next to

above, the best yellow, good cropper and keeper. Pkt. 5c, oz. 10c, ¼ lb. 35c, lb. \$1.30.

95. White Globe.—Flesh fine grained, mild, very handsome. Pkt. 10c, oz. 25c, ¼ lb. 75c, lb. \$2.50.

96. Large Red Weathersfield.—Standard red sort, but perhaps stronger flavored and coarser grained than white or yellow varieties. Pkt. 5c, oz. 15c, ¼ lb. 45c, lb. \$1.50.

97. Extra Early White Barletta.—Earliest and smallest variety, fine for pickling. Pkt. 10c, oz. 20c, ¼ lb. 60c, lb. \$2.

Onion Sets.

98. Red Bottom Sets.—Pt. 15c, qt. 25c.

99. Yellow Bottom Sets.—Pt. 15c, qt. 25c.

100. White Bottom Sets.—Pt. 15c, qt. 30c.

101. Egyptian or Perennial Tree.—When once set out they come up year after year; top sets, pt. 15c, qt. 30c.

If you want a pk. or bu. write for latest market prices which are constantly changing.

Parsley.

Used for flavoring and garnishing. Seeds require 3-4 weeks to come up.

102. Extra Double Curled.—Dwarf, best and most beautiful. Pkt. 5c, oz. 10c, ¼ lb. 25c, lb. 80c.

Parsnip.

Treat same as carrots except that frost improves their flavor.

103. Hollow Crown.—The favorite variety. Lb. 50c.

104. Guernsey.—(Improved Half Long). Roots shorter and thicker than above, excellent quality. Lb. 60c.

Either variety, pkt. 5c, oz. 10c, ¼ lb. 20c.

**Peanut.**

105. Improved Spanish.—The earliest variety; an interesting novelty. Pkt. 5c, pt. 20c.

Peas.

Sow early smooth varieties as soon as ground can be worked, 1 in. apart, in drills 2 in. deep and 3-4 ft. apart, or in double rows 6-8 in. apart. Do not sow wrinkled varieties in cold wet ground or they will rot.

106. **Maud S.**—Smooth, dwarf, good cropper, one of most desirable extra earlies. Pkt. 5c, pt. 20c, qt. 35c.

107. **American Wonder.**—10 inches high, the earliest wrinkled pea, wonderfully productive, of finest quality and flavor, needs rich soil. Pkt. 5c, pt. 25c, qt. 45c.

108. **Nott's Excelsior.**—A new wrinkled pea, claimed to be hardier, earlier, more productive and finer flavored than the above. Pkt. 10c, pt. 30c, qt. 50c.

109. **Premium Gem.**—Dwarf; great improvement on Little Gem, larger pods and more productive. Pkt. 5c, pt. 20c, qt. 35c.



110. **Sharpshire Hero.**—A new second early, $2\frac{1}{2}$ ft., bearing abundantly large, well filled pods containing 8-10 peas of delicious flavor. Pkt. 10c, pt. 30c, qt. 50c.

111. **Stratagem.**—A well tried medium late pea bearing pods of largest size, crowded with peas, which are rich and sweet. $2\frac{1}{2}$ ft. Pkt. 10c, pt. 25c, qt.

40c.

112. **Champion of England**—4-5 ft., late, profuse bearer, peas of exquisite quality and flavor. Pkt. 5c, pt. 20c, qt. 35c.

113. **Black-Eyed Marrowfat.**—4 ft., late, very prolific, good quality, but far surpassed by the wrinkled varieties. Pkt. 5c, pt. 15c, qt. 30c.

114. **Melting Sugar.**—(Edible Pods). Prolific, pods large, stringless, delicious flavor. Pkt. 10c, pt. 30c, qt. 50c.

Pepper.

Treat similarly to tomatoes. Transplant in June about $1\frac{1}{2}$ x 2 ft.

115. **Ruby King.**—The largest and finest red pepper, exceedingly mild.

116. **Red Cluster.**—Fruit small, borne in upright clusters, very hot.

Either of above, pkt. 10c, oz. 25c.

Price of following, pkt. 5c, oz. 20c.

117. **Golden Dawn.**—Yellow, good size, very productive, mild.



118. **Sweet Mountain.**—Large, early, sweet.

119. **Long Red Cayenne.**—Well-known, fiery.

120. **Mixed.**—All the above, large pkt. 10c.

Pumpkin.

Cultivation about same as squash.

121. **Quaker Pie.**—Creamy white outside and in, fine quality and good keeper. $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25c, lb. 80c.

122. **Japanese Pie.**—Shape of Crook-neck squash, and almost solid, seeds curiously marked, flesh fine grained, dry and sweet. $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25c, lb. 90c.

123. **Large Cheese.**—One of the best for cooking and for stock feeding. $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 20c, lb. 60c.

Either of above, pkt. 5c, oz. 10c.

124. **Jumbo.**—The largest, often weighs 200 lbs. Pkt. 10c, oz. 15c, $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 50c, lb. \$1.50.

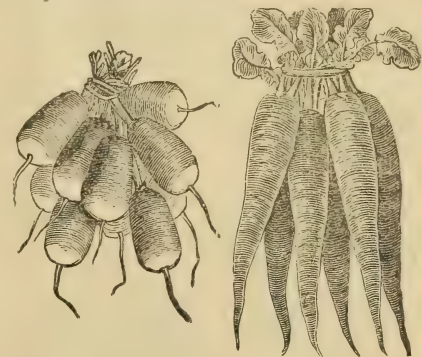
125. **Mixed.**—All the above, large pkt. 10c.

Radish.

Sow as soon as ground can be worked, in light, rich, sandy soil, in drills about 1 ft. apart; and every 2 weeks thereafter for a succession. Sow winter radish seed about Aug. 1st.

All these, pkt. 5c, oz. 10c, $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25c.

126. **Earliest Scarlet.**—Flesh white, very tender and brittle. Lb. 80c.



127. **French Breakfast.**—Very popular, quick growth, mild and tender. Lb. 70c.

128. **Wood's Early Frame.**—Similar to Long Scarlet Short Top but 10 days earlier, crisp and tender. Lb. 70c.

129. **Chartier.**—One of best "all season" radishes, crimson at top, shading to white at tip, large, very tender. Lb. 70c.

130. **Lady Finger.**—Long white, very brittle and crisp. Lb. 90c.

131. **White Strasburg.**—An excellent half long summer variety of fine flavor. Lb. 85c.

132. **Chinese Rose Winter.**—Splendid quality and one of best for winter. Lb. 85c.

133. **Mixed Varieties.**—Large pkt. 10c.

134. **Sage.**—For seasoning, of easiest culture. Pkt. 5c, oz. 20c.

135. **Summer Savory.**—Also for seasoning. Pkt. 5c, oz. 10c.

Salsify or Oyster Plant.



Give culture as parsnips. The common may be left in the ground over winter. The other is not so hardy. This is a fine vegetable.

136. **Long White.**—The old variety. Pkt. 5c, oz. 15c, ¼ lb. 30c, lb. \$1.

137. **Mammoth Sandwich Island.**—Grows twice the size of above and delicious quality. Pkt. 10c, oz. 20c, ¼ lb. 50c, lb.

\$1.50.

Spinach.

The finest vegetable in the world for greens—very tender and delicious flavor. Sow very early, in drills 1 foot apart.

138. **Round Leaf.**—Very hardy and early. Pkt. 5c, oz. 10c, ¼ lb 20c, lb. 35c.

139. **New Victoria.**—Distinct, thick dark green leaves, heaviest yielder, latest to run to seed. Pkt. 10c, oz. 15, ¼ lb. 25, lb. 60.

Squash.

Plant Crookneck as muskmelons, others as watermelons, perhaps give a little more distance between hills.



140. **Giant Summer Crookneck Bush.**—An improvement on common crookneck, but fully as early.

141. **Fordhook.**—Very prolific though small, early, fine keeper, flesh dry and sweet, may be used at any stage of growth either green or ripe.

142. **Sibley, or Pikes Peak.**—Is fast becoming a strong rival of the Hubbard, than which it is more prolific, medium size, long keeper, fine quality.

143. **Hubbard.**—Old popular variety for winter.

Either of above, pkt. 5c, oz. 10c, ¼ lb. 25c, lb. 60c.

144. **Chicago Warty Hubbard.**—A selection from the Hubbard, large, blackish green, hard, warted.

145. **Delicata.**—A new introduction, most prolific and earliest of vine squashes, good keeper, flesh dry, rich, most deliciously flavored of any.

Either of above two, pkt. 10c, oz. 15c, ¼ lb. 30c, lb. 90c.

Tomato.

Sow seed in hot bed in March or April. Transplant after danger of frost is past 4 x 4 ft. in rich, sandy soil. Dwarf Champions may be set 3 x 3 ft. as plant is dwarf and will stand up until too heavily loaded with fruit.



146. **Dwarf Champion.**—Plants dwarf, early, quite productive of good sized smooth, round, solid, pink fruits of good quality. Recommended for general use by Minn. Experiment Station.

147. **Vaughn's Earliest of All.**—Try this for extra early.

148. **New Stone.**—A newer sort highly recommended for general use, medium early, smooth, very solid and productive.

149. **Golden Queen.**—The best large yellow, makes fine contrast sliced with red ones, early, smooth, solid, good flavor.

150. **Yellow Plum.**—Early, small, used mainly for pickles and preserves.

Any one of above, pkt. 5c, oz. 20c.

151. **Ponderosa.**—Of largest size, medium late, quite smooth, very solid, few seeds, productive. Pkt. 10c, ¼ oz. 20c.

152. **Mixed.**—All of above, large pkt 10c.

153. **Yellow Ground Cherry, or Husk Tomato.**—Delicious for preserves, pies, etc. Pkt. 10c.

Turnip.

Sow about as beets early in spring, or in July.

Any of these, pkt. 5c, oz. 10.

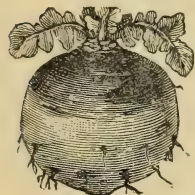
154. Extra Early Red Top Milan.—The earliest turnip, good quality. ¼ lb. 20c, lb. 70c.

155. Golden Ball, or

Orange Jelly.—Most delicate and sweetest, yellow. ¼ lb. 15c, lb. 50c.

156. White Egg.—A very heavy yielder, splendid quality. ¼ lb. 15c, lb. 50c.

157. Mixed Varieties.—Large pkt, 10c.

**Ruta Baga.**

158. Improved American Purple Top.—Smooth, flesh yellow, solid.

159. Large White Sweet German.—Flesh white.

160. Monarch.—Distinct shape, oval or

tankard shape, exceedingly heavy yielder, fine quality.

Any of above, pkt. 5c, oz. 10c, ¼ lb. 15c, lb. 50c.

Miscellaneous, Herbs, Etc.

161. Chicory.—Coffee substitute. Pkt. 5c.

162. Cress.—True Water. Pkt. 10c.

163. Cress.—Curled, or Pepper Grass. Pkt. 5c.

164. Dill.—For flavoring pickles. Pkt. 5c.

165. Endive.—A delicious salad. Pkt. 5c.

166. Hoarhound.—A cough remedy. Pkt. 5c.

167. Leek.—Large Musselburg; the largest, pleasant flavor. Pkt. 5c.

168. Thyme.—For seasoning. Pkt. 5c.

169. Rhubarb.—Linnaeus; early, large, tender. Pkt. 5c.

170. Rhubarb Roots.—St. Martins, large, finest. 20c each, doz. \$2 prepaid.

171. Vine Peach.—Vines similar to muskmelons, fruit very fine for pies or preserves. Pkt. 10c.

Choice Flower Seeds.

You will want at least a few of these. Of course you cannot eat them and perhaps they will bring in no money directly but money is not the only desirable thing. Think of the pleasure, the beauty, that a few 5c packets of seeds will bring you.

Our list is rather short but it embraces nearly all the finest.

Prices are 5c per packet except when otherwise noted. Many varieties we sell at that price many of the large seedsmen price at 10c per packet.

The Discount of 25c extra in packets with each \$1 worth of packets bought applies on flower seeds as on other seeds. They are of the same high quality.

Give catalogue number in ordering.

Asters.

One of the most beautiful fall blooming flowers, of easiest culture.

172. Comet.—The finest; a new sort whose flowers resemble Chrysanthemums, (shown in upper right-hand corner of cut above). Mixed colors. Pkt. 10c.

173. Peony—Flowered Perfection.—(Lower left-hand corner of cut). The finest after comet. Mixed.

174. Dwarf Chrysanthemum—Flowered —(Upper right hand corner of cut) Later than others. Mixed.

175. Queen of the Market.—(Upper left-hand corner). The earliest. Mixed.

176. Victoria Prize.—(Upper left-hand corner). Mixed.

177. Victoria Needle.—(Lower right-hand corner). The petals curved round. Mixed.

178. Mixed Varieties.—All the above. Large pkt. 10c.

179. Aster Collection.—One each of above seven packets only 25c.

180. *Ageratum Mexicanum*.—Feathery blue flower.

181. *Alyssum*, Sweet.—Flowers white, fragrant.

182. *Balsam. Camelia*.—Flowered.—Very double; fine. Mixed colors. Pkt. 10c.

183. *Balsam*, Double Mixed.—Large pkt. 5c.

184. *Calliopsis*.—A fine, hardy, yellow flower of various shades.

185. *Candytuft*, White.—Fragrant.

186. *Candytuft*.—Mixed colors.



187. *Carnation*, Choice Mixed.

188. *Carnation*, New Margaret.—Blooms four months from seed. Mixed pkt. 10c.

189. *Castor Oil Plant*.—Makes fine tropical effect; easily grown; mixed varieties.

190. *Cypress Vine*.—A lovely climber, star-like flowers, fern-like foliage, mixed.

191. *Dahlia*.—Mixed double; early sown seed will bloom the first season.

192. *Forget-Me-Not*.—Blue flowers.

193. *Everlasting*.—Mixed varieties, large pkt. 10c.

194. *Heliotrope*.—Fine mixed.

195. *Hollyhock*, Mixed.—Seed from finest double varieties.

196. *Moon Flower*, Giant White.—Beautiful climbers.

197. *Morning Glory*, Major.—Tall, climber.

198. *Morning Glory*.—Minor, dwarf, creeper.

Nasturtium.



One of the best climbers. Beautiful velvety flowers, deliciously fragrant, of



199. *Mignonette*, Sweet.—large, flowering.

MARCH.

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Garden Hints.—Inspect and repair tools and implements and

order new ones needed not forgetting some "Planet Jrs." Order some seeds, plants, etc., immediately, if not already obtained. Manure garden-patch liberally. Make hot bed. By middle of month, sow early cauliflower, celery, egg plant, pepper, tomatoes and Prizetaker onion seeds. Also sow flower seeds for early

blooming, such as asters, candy-tuft, carnations, pansies, petunias, phlox, stocks, verbenas, etc.

all colors. The green seed pods are used for pickles.

200. Tall, Mixed.—Climbing. Oz. 15c.

201. Tom Thumb, Mixed.—One foot high. Oz. 15c.

202. Ornamental Grasses.—Mixed varieties. Large pkt. 10c.

Pansy.

This with Sweet Peas is the most popular flower at this time.



203. Trimardean Giant.—Mixed, very large and showy. Pkt. 10c.

204. Fine Large Mixed.—Very choice.

205. Azure Blue.—A fine color.

206. King of the Blacks.—The blackest known.

207. Snowflake.—Pure white.

208. Pansy Collection.—One packet each of the above five for only 20c.

209. Petunia, Blotched and Striped Single.—Very fine variety. Pkt. 10c.

210. Petunia.—Finest mixed single.

Phlox.

A fine free blooming flower which makes a very showy appearance. Of easiest culture.

211. Grandiflora.—Flowers of largest size.

212. Star.—(see cut) perfect star shape, all sizes and colors, will make a beautiful bed. Pkt. 10c.

213. Pink, China.—Best double mixed.

214. Poppy, Carnation Flowered.—Finest double mixed.

215. Poppy, The Shirley.—Flowers single, large, silky, beautiful colors, mixed.

216. Portulaca, (Moss Rose), Single.—Portulacas stand summer heat; mixed.

217. Portulaca, Double Rose Flowered.—First quality, mixed all colors. Pkt. 10c.

218. Stocks, Cut and Come Again.—Splendid for cutting; mixed colors. Pkt. 10c.

219. Stocks, Dwarf German, 10 Weeks.—Mixed.

Sweet Peas.

These and Pansies are the most popular flower today. As easy to grow as common garden peas.



220. Blanche Ferry.—Deep pink and white; improvement on old Painted Lady.

221. Emily Henderson.—Large, pure white flowers.

222. Indigo King.—Rich dark blue.

223. Invincible.—Beautiful deep scarlet.

224. Primrose.—Pale yellow.

225. Butterfly.—White, laced with lavender.

226. Vesuvius.—Rose, spotted with violet.

227. Mixed.—All colors and shades.

Any of above, pkt, 5c, oz. 10c, ¼ lb. 20c, lb. 75c.

228. Eckford's New Large Flowering.—Splendid mixed, large pkt. 10c, oz. 15c, ¼ lb. 30c, lb. \$1.

229. New Double Mixed.—About one-third of them come double flowers. Pkt. 10c.

230. Sweet Pea Collection.—First seven of above packets 25c. Entire 10 only 40c.

231. Verbena, Mammoth. (Improved).

APRIL.

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Garden Hints.—Order at once what seeds you will need. See March hints and sow the early seeds named there immediately if not already done. As soon as ground permits plow and thoroughly horrow, and smooth and sow (with seed drill) seeds of all the heavy vegetables, lettuce, onions, smooth early peas, radishes, and squash. Set asparagus, and rhubarb plants and onion sets, also early cabbage, cauliflower and Prizetaker onion plants last of month. Seeds of brussel sprouts, cabbage, cauliflower and celery may be sown out doors to make plants. Set out pansy plants started in January. Sow seeds of hardy flowers out doors and lawn grass seed. Set strawberries, blueberries, apples, plums, grapes, etc., nearly all nursery stock as soon as ground can be worked.

—Fine large flowers, beautiful in form and color. Pkt. 10c.

232. **Verbena, Hybrid.**—Excellent, mixed.

233. **Zinnia, Large Flowering Dwarf.**—Mixed.

234. **Wild Flower Garden.**—A large packet of many varieties of flower seeds mixed. Will make a fine display. Large pkt. 10c.

Prices of any packet only 5c unless otherwise noted.

Summer Flowering Bulbs and Roots.



Gladiolus.

The most popular and easiest raised summer bulb.

Fine Hybrids, Mixed.—Doz. 30c, 100 \$1.75 postpaid.

Lemoines Hybrids.—Finest colors. Doz. 50c, postpaid.

We can also supply Gladiolus in separate colors.

Oxalis.

Bermuda Buttercup.—New, blossoms yellow, fragrant,

very large, have 300 to 500 spikes of

bloom in a season. Give bright sunlight. Each 15c postpaid.

Dahlia.

Finest Double.—Any color 25c each, postpaid.

Calla.

Old White.—Large bulbs, 25c each postpaid.



Little Gem.—Dwarfs, large blossoms. More profuse bloomer than the above. Each 20c postpaid.

Tigridia—(Shell Flower.)

Either red or orange, with crimson spots. Each 8c, doz. 45c, postpaid.

Tuberose.

Excelsior Dwarf Double Pearl.—Large bulbs, 6c, 3 for 15c, doz. 50c.

Greenhouse Plants.

We have made arrangements with a first-class florist to furnish plants for our customers. Our prices are *not* as low as some, but the difference in price is more than made up in quality. All plants are grown in two or four inch pots and are merely slipped from these, packed and shipped, the roots not being disturbed, so they are ready to go right to growing again. Many are already budded or in bloom. We know they will please you.

Prices of all, except where otherwise noted,—plants from 2-in. pots 15c, 4-in. 35c. If to go by express deduct 5c and 10c from prices.

MAY.

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Garden Hints.—This is the great garden making month. Sow

at once all seeds named in April list, and beets, mangels, carrots, kohlrabi. For succession sow lettuce and radishes every two weeks. As soon as ground becomes worm sow beans, for string, corn, cucumbers, melons, parsnips, wrinkled peas and squash.

Start the wheel hoe at work as soon as you can see the rows.

Set early celery plants. Thin early sown seeds. Plant all

flower seeds. Set berry plants and nurse stock as soon as possible. Trim berry bushes as soon as buds start.

Begonias.

Few plants grow and bloom better under ordinary care.

Rubra.—Scarlet blossoms: **Vernon**—Most free flowering: **Angel Wing**—leaves wing-shaped, white flowers.

Rex Begonias.—fancy leaved, in large variety.

Any begonia postpaid, from 2-in. pot 20c, 4-in. 35c.

Carnations.—Your choice white, pink, red or yellow.

Chrysanthemums.

The most popular autumn flower.

Chinese and Japanese Varieties (World's Fair Stock).—Sixteen best varieties, profuse bloomers; flowers 5 inches in diameter, white, pink, yellow and crimson,—all shades; petals, incurved, reflexed, long, drooping, twisted, plumed and quilled—all descriptions. Tell what you want. Any of the sixteen shipped by name.

Queen.—First prize as best white at World's Fair, incurved. **Ivory**—dwarf white for pot culture, incurved. **Golden Wedding**—yellow, reflexed. **Eva Hoyt**—cream, incurved. **Charity**—soft pink reflexed. Nine others are fine.

Coleus—Ornamental Foliage Plants.

Verschafeldt.—crimson. **Golden Bedder**—yellow. Two best sorts.

Cyperus.—Palm like foliage. Grows either in water or soil.

Geraniums.

A fine selection that cannot fail to please.

Bruanti.—Best all round geranium for house or bedding. Flowers vermilion, double, trusses large as a quart bowl. **Columbia**—single, scarlet, best bedder. **Chas. Turner**—best double pink ivy leaf. **Joan of Arc**—best double white ivy leaf. **Elegantissima**—foliage veined with red. **Mt. of Snow**—foliage white bordered.

Heliotrope.—Dark purple blossoms.

Mannetia Vine.—Rapid growing, almost constantly covered with tubular orange and red blossoms.

Oleander.—either pink or yellow, double.

Petunia.—Double white, extra fine.

Fuchsias.

The best of all varieties.



Phenomenal.—The largest double flowers; corolla purple, sepals scarlet. **Storm King**—large double flowers, corolla white, sepals scarlet. **Bird of Paradise**—(seecut) very floriferous, single; corolla crimson, sepals scarlet. **Beauty of Oxford**—very large, single; corolla crimson, sepals white.

Roses—Tea or Monthly.

American Beauty—A beauty, largest and grandest dark red rose, flowers sell in the cities for \$15 per dozen. From 4-in. pots, 50c each.

Bride.—pure white. **Hoste**—soft cream. **Mermet**—softest pink. **Testout**—shell pink. **Bridesmaid**—fine pink. **Perle**—yellow. **Woorton**—red. **Meteor**—darkest red. All roses only from 4-in. pots. Strong plants, mostly budded. Each, 35c. postpaid.

Solanum Grandiflora.—Covered constantly with long bunches of bright scarlet fruit.

Sultani.—Quick easy growing plants, always covered with blossoms.

Vinca, Upright.—Easy grown, always in bloom; either white or pink.

Select Nursery Stock.



Iron Clad Apples.

Duchess, Wealthy, Tetofsky, Yellow Transparent, Talman Sweet.—All well known. Price of strong 3 year old trees 5 to 6 ft. high only 30c each; doz. \$3, 100, \$20.

Longfield.—Newer; should be in every garden. Price as above.

Patten's Greening.—As this is a winter Duchess—it needs no other recommendation. A tree that is as hardy and prolific as the Duchess and bears winter apples is a bonanza. 75c each.

Peerless.—The introducer near Fari-bault, about 12 miles away, claims it is the ideal apple for the northwest. Our price is very low—\$1 each.

Crabs: Hyslop, Whitney No. 20, Early Strawberry, Transcendent.—All fine standard sorts. Price and description as above list.

Plums.

Weaver.—Early; **DeSota.**—Late, best. 75c, each; \$8 doz.

Cherries.

Early and Late Richmond.—Perfectly hardy. 50c each; \$5 doz.

Currants.

Red Cherry and Long Bunch Holland.—Red; **White Grape; Lee's Prolific.**—Black. Each. 20c; doz., \$2; 100, \$12.

Fay's Prolific.—Large red. Each 25c; doz., \$2.50; 100, \$15.

North Star.—A new highly advertised sort. Each 50c, doz. \$4.

Gooseberries.

Downing's Superb.—Splendid sort. Each 25c, doz. \$2, 100 \$15.

Industry.—The best English variety, bears fruit of immense size. Each 50c, doz. \$5.

We list a short line—short and sweet. It is of high quality—nothing we sell is knowingly otherwise. With few exceptions it is grown within five miles of our seed house, and is as hardy as it can possibly be. Our prices are low, as on everything else, but prices are not put down at the expense of quality. We guarantee everything to be received in good growing condition and to be fully as good as represented or better.

POSTAGE.—If wanted by mail we ship a dozen strawberries free; add 25c extra for postage on 100 plants; of raspberries, blackberries, currants, gooseberries and grape vines, one will be mailed free; add 15c per dozen for postage. Other trees, etc., best to send by express or freight.

Raspberries.

Black Cap: Ohio, Gregg.—Doz. 50c, 100 \$2.50.

Black Cap: Older.—Grand new. Doz. \$1, 100 \$5.

Red: Turner, Cuthbert.—Doz. 25c, 100 \$1 50.

Red: Marlboro.—The largest. Doz. 40c, 100 \$2.

Yellow: Golden Queen.—Doz. 50c, 100 \$3.

Blackberries.

Ancient Briton.—Best, doz. 50, 100 \$3.

Grapes.

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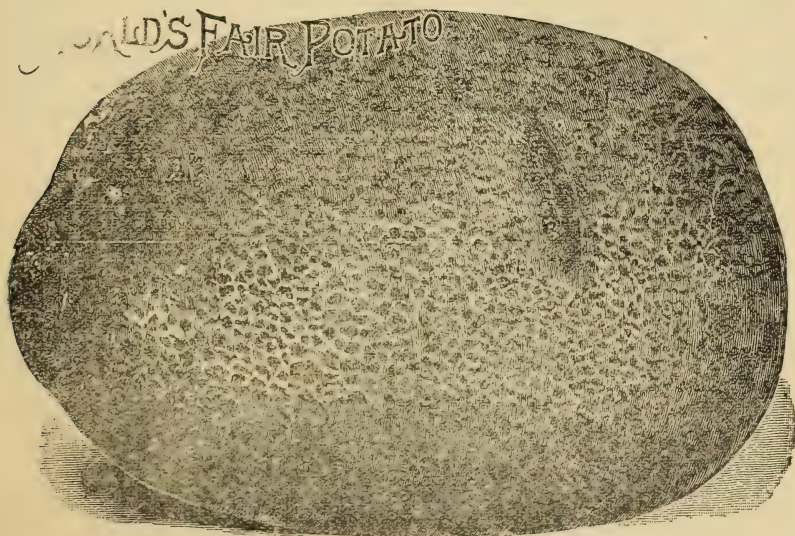
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Nearly all seeds saved in the ordinary way will "run out" in a few years, and you need a change of seed, or a newer and better variety.

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Garden Hints.—Sow for succession beans, beets, sweet corn

lettuce and radish. Set cabbage and celery plants, also plants of tomatoes, egg plants, and peppers. Thin all drilled crops. Sow seeds for late celery, cabbage and cauliflower plants, also rutabagas. Plant cucumbers for pickles. Keep wheel hoe, or horse hoe at work and every weed down. Watch for currant worms, apply white hellebore in water or flour. Cultivate strawberries like corn.

All our farm seeds are warranted true to name and to be received by the purchasers in a good growing condition, the same as our other seeds.

Prices include bags where necessary.

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Packet of any farm seeds for only five cents.

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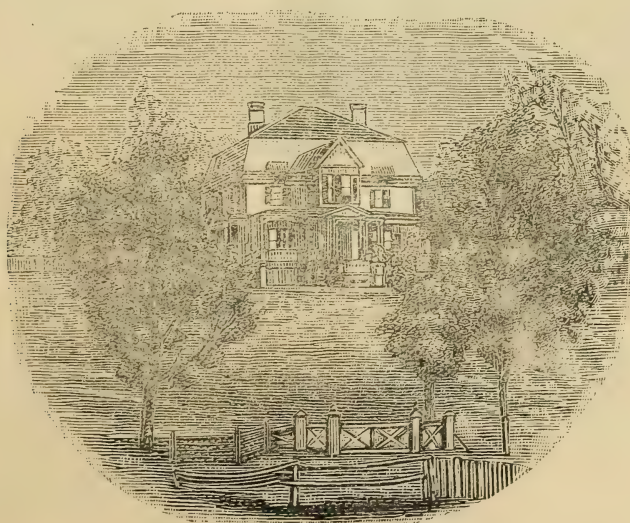
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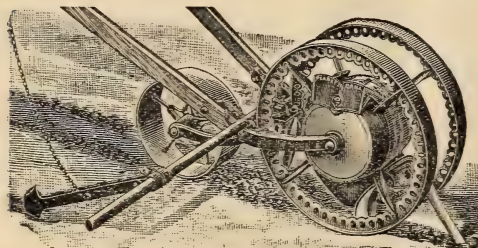
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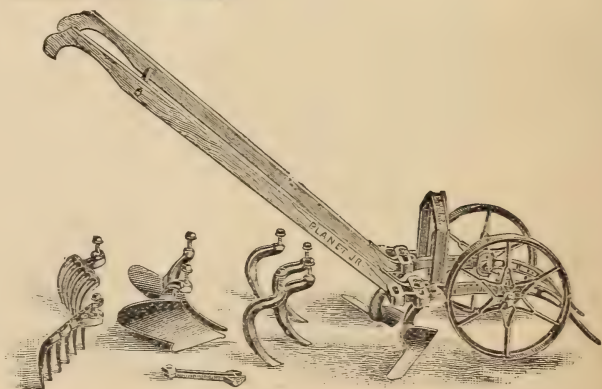
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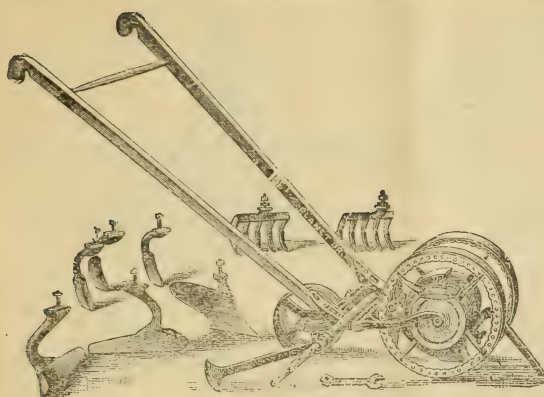
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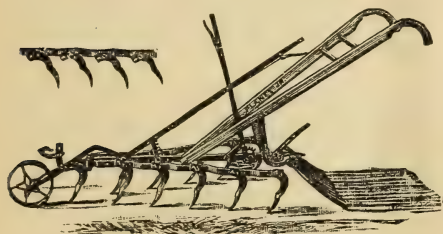
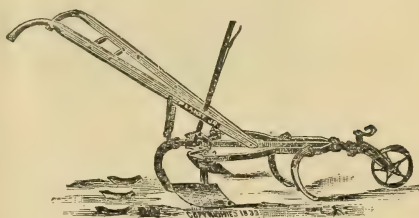
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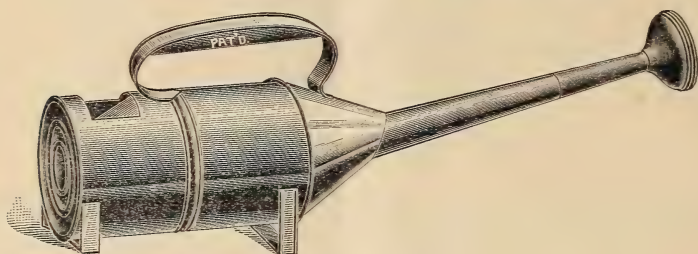
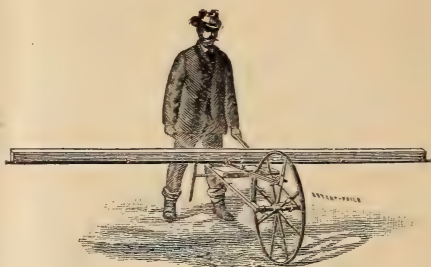
Cyclone Seeder.—Just like above except it is worked by a crank instead of by a bow. Our price only \$1.95.

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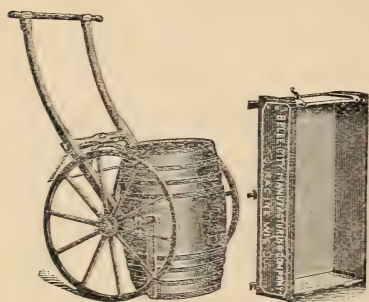


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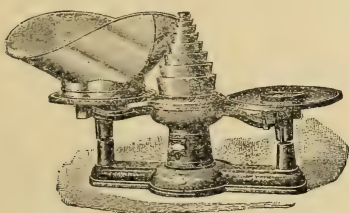


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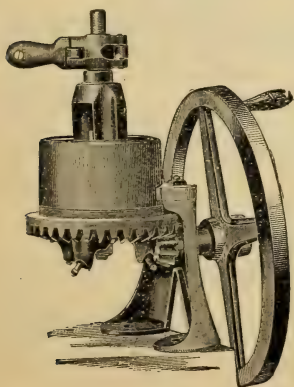
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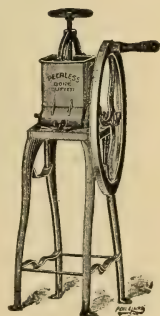
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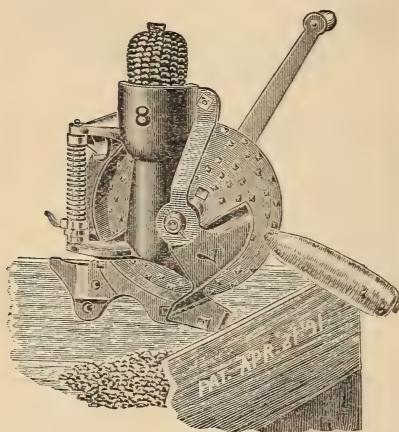
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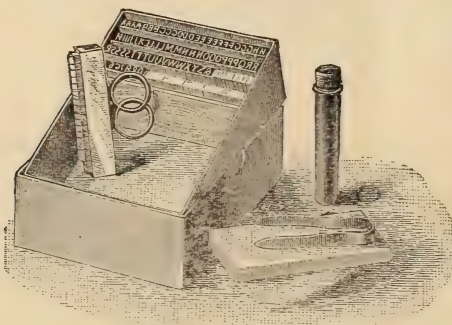
Garden Hints.—Stop cutting asparagus but continue cultivation. Sow summer and winter radishes, lettuce and flat turnips for late crop. Keep weeds down and ground well stirred. Blanch early celery. Set plants of late cabbage, cauliflower and celery. Fight drouth among small fruits with a good mulch.



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Garden Hints.—Keep ground well stirred and kill all the weeds. Harvest onions as soon as they ripen, and early potatoes. Give good cultivation to late cabbage and celery.

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Garden Hints.—Don't let a weed go to seed. Cultivate late cabbages and celery. Blanch celery. House squash before frost. After first heavy frost gather the green tomatoes and melons and they will continue to ripen for several weeks.

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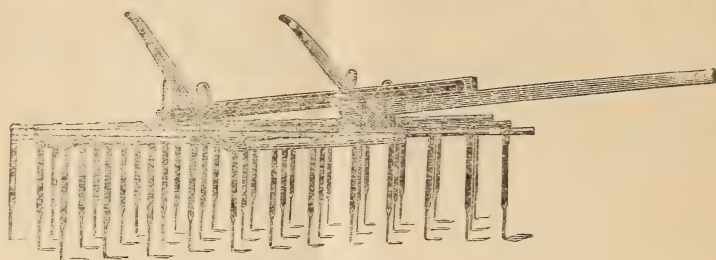
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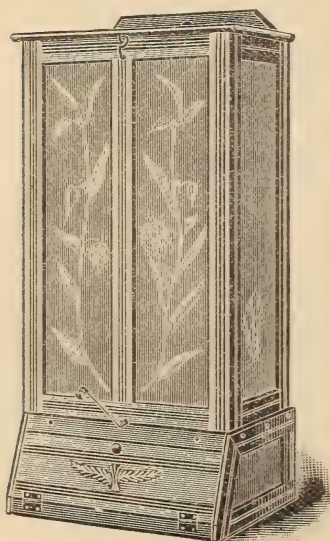
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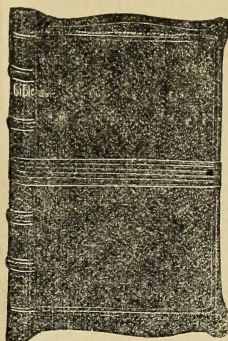
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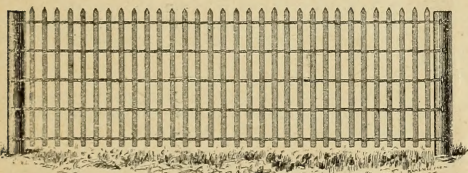
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